

4. May the divine SAEASWAif, the
 acceptress of
 (sacrificial) food, the protectress of her
 worshippers,
 sustain us with (abundant) viands.

5. Divine SARASWAT/, protect him
 engaged in con-
 flict for the sake of wealth, who glorifies thee
 like
 INDEA.

xxxj. 6- Divine SARASWAT!, abounding in food,
 protect
 us in combat, and, like PUSHAN, give us
 gifts.

7. May the fierce SARASWATJ, riding in a
 golden
 chariot, the destructress of enemies, be
 pleased by our
 earnest laudation.

3. May she whose might, infinite,
 undeviating,
 splendid, progressive, water-shedding,
 proceeds loud-
 sounding.

9. Overcome all our adversaries, and
 bring to us
 her other water-laden sisters,¹ as the ever-
 rolling sun
 (leads on) the days.

10. May SARASWATI, who has seven
 sisters,² who is
 dearest amongst those dear to us, and is
 fully propi-
 tiated, be ever adorable.

xxx^ga. 11- ^{Ma}7 SARASWAif, filling (with
 radiance) the

vast expanse of earth and heaven, defend
 us from the
 reviler.

12. Abiding in the three worlds,
 comprising seven
 elements,³ cherishing the five races (of
 beings), she is
 ever to be invoked in battle.

admit of a different interpreTation, according to
Sdyana, or, thou
 hast shed poison upon them, or destroyed them.

¹ *Atiaicaxriraay&ritacari: a tils* put, it is said,
 for *atitri*, to
 lead over or beyond, or in the order of the text,
aii *dicifhah*,
 may the other gisiurs overcome those who hate
 us.

^a *Suptasxasd*: either the seven metres of the
 Vedas, or the
 seven rivers.

³ *SaptaMdtu*, as before, either the metres or
 the rivers.